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6 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
7 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
8 AT SEATTLE

9 LYNN HOUSERMAN,

10 Plaintiff,

11 v.

12 COMTECH TELECOMMUNICATIONS
CORPORATION, FRED KORNBERG,
MICHAEL D. PORCELAIN,

13 Defendant.

CASE NO. 2:19-cv-00644-RAJ

**ORDER DENYING MOTION TO
COMPEL, FOR SANCTIONS, AND
FOR SPECIAL MASTER WITHOUT
PREJUDICE**

**RELATED CASE NO. 2:19-CV-
00336-RAJ**

14 Presently before the Court is the Plaintiff's Motion to Compel the Production of ESI and
15 for Sanctions and the Appointment of a Special Discovery Master. Dkt. 57. A similar motion was
16 filed in Case No. 2:19-cv-00336-RAJ. Dkt. 45.¹ On March 24, 2020, both motions were referred
17 to the undersigned United States Magistrate Judge for disposition pursuant to Local Rule MJR
18 and General Order 02-19.

19 The parties' discovery dispute has been pending for over a month. Pursuant to the parties'
20 proposed Stipulation Regarding Depositions and Amending the Case Schedule (Dkt. 65), the
21 Court has today extended the current case scheduling deadlines, including an extension of the

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23 ¹ The Court consolidated discovery in these cases. *See* Dkts. 30 in this case and Dkt. 32 in Case
No. 2:19-cv-00336-RAJ.

1 deadline to complete discovery (depositions and ESI) from September 1, 2020 until October 22,
2 2020. Dkt. 65. For these reasons, the undersigned **denies** the motion to compel (Dkt. 57) without
3 prejudice. The parties are directed to again confer to work out this discovery dispute. If the
4 parties cannot resolve their dispute by **April 24, 2020**, the motion to compel may be refiled and
5 parties shall notify the Court of the need to hold a status hearing on the motion at that time.

6 DATED this 24th day of March, 2020.

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9 BRIAN A. TSUCHIDA
Chief United States Magistrate Judge